



HOOP POINTS

A Monthly Newsletter from Croquet SA

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CONGRATULATIONS TO EDWARD WILSON— NEW ZEALAND OPEN CHAMPION

Edward Wilson has become the youngest winner of the NZ Open Championship since 1960 after defeating current world champion Stephen Mulliner (England) in Christchurch NZ on the weekend. It was the first non NZ player final since 2009, and Edward won comfortably 26-7, 26-9. Ned was also runner up in the doubles event with partner Stephen Mulliner. What an amazing achievement for a 19 year old player, whose hard work and determination are definitely paying off. Well done Ned on this outstanding achievement.

Croquet SA Board

Ned receiving the Challenge Cup from CNZ President Annie Henry



WOODVILLE CHRISTMAS GATEBALL TOURNAMENT

It's quite amazing sometimes how good stuff happens with Gateball! What started as a simple request for me to nick off from a conference in Melbourne (unfortunately it was the weekend of the NSW State tournament) ended up with an impromptu doubles tournament at Woodville Croquet Club on 27th December 2017. Seven teams competed – Ben & Ann, Trish & Bev, and Geoff & Chris from Woodville (SA); Barry & Peter and Graeme & Philip from Hyde Park (SA); Phillip from Kew (Vic) played with David from Millswood (SA) and John & Beryl travelled furthest from McIlwraith (QLD).

The draw was divided into 2 blocks – one with 3 teams and one with 4, the block winners playing off in a final. Ben and Ann from Woodville won both their games in Block A and faced the composite team of David and Philip from Block B who won their 3 games. Experience showed with Philip captaining a perfect game to take out the tournament.

Many thanks to all players and helpers, and maybe we'll see a few more interstate players next year!

Geoff Crook, Woodville Croquet Club



Action from the final

MOUNT GAMBIER CROQUET CLUB Golf Croquet Gala Day 30 December

There were 20 entries from South Australia and Victoria as well as a few locals from Mount Gambier. The competition was fierce in Division A with 8 players competing. State golf croquet player Jim Grindrod (from Aldinga Bay Croquet Club) battled it out in the final game against Mount Gambier player Herbert Hart and John Murfett from Portland Croquet Club. It could have gone to any one of them in the 6th and final game.

Division A. 1st place Jim Grindrod Aldinga Bay Croquet Club,
2nd place Herbert Hart Mount Gambier Croquet Club.

There were 12 players contesting the 6 games in Div. B. Competitors were from Aldinga Bay, Ballarat West, Portland, Penola and Hyde Park, as well as Mount Gambier members.

Division B. 1st place Brenda Pentland of Aldinga Bay,
2nd place Maria Maratos of Hyde Park.

The task of presenting Certificates and prize money was undertaken by club Patron Jack Hopgood, who has played croquet for many years. The visitors enjoyed their visit on the excellent courts in pleasant weather.



Jim Grindrod, Jack Hopgood and Herbert Hart

Sandra Edlington

AC NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS to be held in Adelaide from 14th to 25th March 2018.

The following personnel are needed:

HOOP SETTERS at SACA

People to set hoops at SACA for the three events.

1) Gold Medal (14 -16 March), 2) Men's and Women's Singles (17 – 20 March), 3) Eire Cup teams event (21 – 25 March).

Duties – Ready 3 lawns at SACA for play by 7-30 each day.

Skills – Ability to set hoops accurately. Training provided if necessary.

If you can help with any of the above please contact Eileen Ferguson (Email: president@croquetsa.com.au
Ph. 0447171109 as soon as possible.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIAN CROQUET ASSOCIATION CENTENARY
SUNDAY 6TH MAY 10AM—4PM**

ORGANISING COMMITTEE and HELPERS NEEDED URGENTLY PLEASE

The format for this milestone will be a free community Come N Try event with morning and afternoon tea, lunch and drinks available for purchase. The theme is period dress and we will offer prizes for the best costume. Formalities will be at 11am. We will have commemorative wine for sale on the day and will launch our Centenary book.

All members of the SA Croquet community past and present are welcome and we encourage everyone to come along and participate in this event.

We need:

- helpers to bring morning and afternoon tea and help in the kitchen,
- Helpers to cook/serve BBQ lunch
- Bar staff to run the bar
- Members to help patrons on the lawns

We have one member come forward to help plan a celebration for this milestone, but it is unrealistic to expect two people to run this event —can you help? Please contact Cathy execdir@croquetsa.com.au or phone 8271 6586

GOOD NEWS FOR HOLDFAST BAY

Members down at the Bay have big smiles on their faces, \$4000 in funding for equipment and 250 people introduced to croquet at Hammer Time and corporate parties this summer. Club members are enthusiastic and motivated with a CAN DO attitude to drive the future development of the club. Well done!

Cathy Leske



Fun at Hammer Time Holdfast Bay

SOUTH AUSTRALIA TRIUMPHS in VICTORIA at the PORTLAND TOURNAMENT

South Australia was well represented at the recent Portland AC Tournament. 6 players from Norwood, 2 Victor Harbor, 4 Kadina, 2 Moonta and 1 from Murray Bridge made the journey to Victoria. It was a big Tournament with 38 players divided into four Events (Divisions). The Portland CC is located in the beautiful Botanical Gardens and their two lawns had been superbly prepared, a nicer setting would be difficult to find. Because of the large tournament entry, two lawn tennis courts which are located close to the club were also used. These courts were near the canal and difference in temperature between the two locations was absolutely unbelievable. The organisers were very fair and allocated matches from all events to the less than perfect tennis courts. Many games were triple banked so patience was the name of the game. Adherence to the etiquette of the game helps greatly when there are 12 balls in play and 6 players 'champing at the bit' to have their turn!!



The Club put on a magnificent BBQ for 70 people and the selection of salads and desserts had to be seen to be believed! Each day we were tempted with homemade biscuits and sandwiches were also on order for lunch. The tournament was extremely well run both on and off the lawns.

Out of the 8 prize winners, 5 were South Australian. It was suggested the SA border might be moved to include Portland but they seemed to prefer that we all become Victorians!! It was a long way to go but well worth the effort. The results follow, and congratulations to everyone who participated.

- Event 1 Winner Murray Baum (Norwood), Runner Up Mary Bishop (Moonta).
Event 2 Winner Malcolm Kinch (Kadina) Runner Up Malcolm Algie (Moonta).
Event 3 Winner Shirlene Mc Bride (Normanville) Runner Up Roger Lee (Brighton Vic.)
Event 4 Winner Greg Barnes (Brighton Vic) Runner Up Bryan Watt (Warnambool).

Linda Kinch (Kadina CC)

be active.

UPCOMING EVENTS 2018**FEBRUARY**

- 3 **GC** ACA Presidents 8s
 6 **GC** Brighton twilight gala 4pm start Cost \$15 includes tea. Contact Barry Teague 0408 888 071
 8—11 **GC** SA Gold Medal
 11 **AC** Victor Harbor gala. Cost \$20 includes lunch Contact Beth Young 8552 2348
 bethyoung@bigpond.com
 14—21 **GC** Doubles 9+
 24 **AC** Penola gala Aussie and Association Contact Junette Jolly jjjbees@icloud.com
 27—1 Mar **GC** Doubles 6+

MARCH

- 4—9 **AC** Victor Harbor tournament All handicaps. Contact Noel Young 8552 2348 noel.young@bigpond.com
 5 **GC** Murray Bridge gala Contact croquetmurraybridge@gmail.com
 9 **GC** Millswood monthly singles Cost \$5 per session byo lunch Contact Penny Harper
 pharper@senet.com.au 0456 780 273
 14—16 **AC ACA National Gold Medal** @ SACA
 17—20 **AC ACA National Mens & Womens Singles** at various metropolitan clubs
 21—25 **AC ACA INTERSTATE EIRE CUP** @ SACA, North Adelaide & Norwood
 21 **GC** Autumn pennants teams of 4 Open, 6+, 9+ on line entry Entries close 6 February
 27 **AC** Coromandel Valley gala 9.30am start Cost \$15 inc. bbq lunch Contact Ken McHugh 8270 8478
 corocroquetsec@gmail.com 0474 784 089

APRIL

- 6—8 **AC** Norwood Swiss singles Entry fee \$40 Contact John Arney 8277 2082 vjarney@gmail.com
 Entries close 29 March
 7—11 **GC** Victor Harbor tournament All handicaps doubles & singles Contact Kate Logan 8554 3356
 kate.logan@adam.com.au
 10-12 **AC** Maslen Brooch 6+ (Womens singles) at Hutt Road. On-line entry Entries close 30 March
 10-12 **AC** Lewis Badge 6+ (Mens singles) at Hutt Road. On-line entry Entries close 30 March
 13 **GC** Millswood monthly singles Cost \$5 per session byo lunch Contact Penny Harper
 pharper@senet.com.au 0456 780 273
 17—19 **GC** Doubles 15+
 20—22 **AC/GC** South Australian Masters Games at Murray Bridge. Book online
 murraybridgemastersgames.com.au
 27 **GC** North Adelaide handicap singles Cost \$6 per session 10am & 1pm Byo lunch Contact Sue Huddy
 0409 675 655 su7eh@hotmail.com
 27—29 **GC** Mens SA Championships
 28 **AC** Moonta gala day Contact Kathleen Lamshed kath66lamshed@dodo.com.au

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- 6 **CROQUET SA CENTENARY AT HUTT ROAD** see page 2
 2—9 **GC** Handicap singles
 6—10 **AC** Naracoorte tournament. Doubles & Singles. Contact Eugene Dunstan 8762 3703
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 7 **GC** Victor Harbor gala Cost \$20 inc lunch Contact Anne Fawkner 8552 6074 fawknerkf@dodo.com.au
 11 **GC** Millswood monthly singles Cost \$5 per session byo lunch Contact Penny Harper

REMINDER TO ALL PLAYERS AND EVENT MANAGERS

A reminder that coaching sessions, club events such as Gala Days and tournaments, as well as Croquet SA events are for current registered members only. Players : please ensure you have your current Croquet SA registration.

COMPETITION ENTRY FEES—REMINDER

Clubs are now sent an invoice for entries and lawn fees. Clubs are requested to submit entries via the appropriate on-line entry form. For individual and doubles events players are also requested to complete an on-line entry and are encouraged to submit entry fees direct to Croquet SA via bank transfer.

Eileen Ferguson

PARKING AT HUTT ROAD The Adelaide City Council has agreed that Croquet SA members when using Hutt Road car park should **display their Croquet SA ID card** on the dashboard if expecting to be parked for any length of time that will exceed the current parking restrictions .
 The current **parking restrictions are Maximum 5 hours Mon-Fri 8am-6pm**. Parking inspectors have been provided with a copy of the card to know what to look for.

ASADA Athlete Warning—Higenamine is a prohibited drug often listed on ingredient label of supplements

QUADWAY HOOPS please refer to the instructions on the trolleys and in the clubhouse!

REGISTRATION FEES for all Croquet SA players for 9 months 1 January to 30 September 2018
 City \$75 inc GST, County \$50.25 inc GST, Student (18-25 with ID card) city \$37.50 inc GST, country \$24.75 inc GST,

OFFICE HOURS AT HUTT ROAD

The office at Hutt Road is open on Mon, Tues and Thurs 9am—1pm. Phone number is 8271 6586. At other times via email below

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